



**Homeland
Security**

Press Release

August 27, 2004

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: DHS Press Office
202.282.8010

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY ANNOUNCES \$1.5 MILLION COMPETITIVE GRANT AWARDED TO UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, LAS VEGAS

Las Vegas, Nevada- Matt A. Mayer, Chief of Staff of the Office of State and Local Government Coordination and Preparedness, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, today announced that the University of Nevada, Las Vegas has been awarded a \$1.5 million Competitive Training Grant to enhance training on terrorism for homeland security professionals.

The Competitive Training Grants Program provides funding for training initiatives to further the Department's mission of preparing the nation in the event of a terrorist incident. The University of Nevada, Las Vegas completed a rigorous application process for this grant—over 217 applications were received and the Department selected 14 programs for funding, totaling \$33,645,997 to be awarded.

The University of Nevada, Las Vegas plans to use the funding to create a train-the trainer program to teach homeland security professionals the intricacies of terrorism including prevention, deterrence, response and recovery.

###